

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JAMES R. FRASER,

No. C-08-1760 MMC

Plaintiff,

v.

**ORDER DIRECTING PARTIES TO  
INFORM COURT WHETHER THEY  
CONSENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
FOR ALL PURPOSES**

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,

Defendant

In cases initially assigned to a district judge, the parties may consent at any time to reassignment of the case to a magistrate judge for all purposes, including entry of final judgment. See Civil L.R. 73-1(b).

Accordingly, the parties are hereby DIRECTED to advise the Court, no later than April 30, 2008, as to whether they consent to have a magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings in the instant action.<sup>1</sup> For the parties' convenience, a consent form is attached hereto; forms are also available at <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov>, in the "Forms" section. The parties are further advised that they may request therein assignment to a specific magistrate judge.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: April 21, 2008

  
MAXINE M. CHESNEY  
United States District Judge

<sup>1</sup>Normally, the Court would direct the parties to so inform the Court in their Joint Case Management Statement filed in connection with a case management conference. Because the instant action involves a review of an administrative record, however, a case management conference has not been scheduled.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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No. C

Plaintiff(s),

**CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE A  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

v.

Defendant(s).

CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

In accordance with the provisions of Title 28, U.S.C. Section 636(c), the undersigned party hereby voluntarily consents to have a United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial, and order the entry of a final judgment. Appeal from the judgment shall be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

Counsel for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Plaintiff, Defendant or indicate "pro se")